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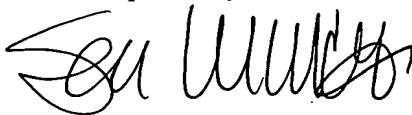
Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.98 and pursuant to applicants duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449, all of which are cited in the International Search Report (PCT Form PCT/ISA/210) to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner. In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, English-language Abstracts are attached to the references, and the relevance of some of these references is described on page 4 of the Application.

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It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

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